

## Message Text

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S E C R E T KUWAIT 3531

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MORG, MOPS, KU  
SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST FORCE- THE NEW FORMAT

REF: KUWAIT 3391

1. I AM HAPPY TO REPORT THAT MY DEMARCHE JUNE 21 EXPLORING  
THE POSSIBILITY OF SELF-MAINTENANCE VISITS TO KUWAIT BY C  
COMIDEASTFOR SHIPS HAS RECEIVED A FAVORABLE RESPONSE.

2. MFA ACTING UNDERSECRETARY FAISAL AL-SALEH AL-MUTAWA  
INFORMED ME JUNE 28 THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD RECEIVED  
A LETTER FROM THE DEFENSE MINISTER APPROVING SUCH SELF-  
MAINTENANCE VISITS ON THE CONDITION THAT THE GOK BE  
NOTIFIED ONE MONTH IN ADVANCE. THIS APPROVAL ALSO COVERED  
LIBERTY PARTY VISITS INTO KUWAIT FOR PURPOSES I DESCRIBED  
IN REFTEL. I INDICATED TO MUTAWA THAT I FELT THIS  
NOTIFICATION CONDITION WOULD PRESENT NO PROBLEM AND THANKED  
HIM FOR HIS EFFORTS IN THIS CONNECTION.

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3. WHILE WE DID NOT HAVE TIME AT THIS MEETING TO GO INTO  
ANY SPECIFICS, I EXPECT THAT THE DETAILS FOR SUCH SELF-  
MAINTENANCE VISITS CAN BE WORKED OUT AT THE TIME NOTIFICATION  
IS GIVEN TO GOK. THE QUESTION OF THE LENGTH OF THE VISIT  
HOPEFULLY WILL PRESENT NO PROBLEM. AS REFTEL INDICATES, I  
SPOKE OF VISITS OF ONE TO TWO WEEKS DURATION AND EXPECT

THAT THE MAXIMUM PERIOD WILL BE AGREEABLE PROVIDING THERE  
ARE NO CONFLICTS AROUND THE DATES REQUESTED. I SHALL  
TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER FURTHER  
WITH THE DEFENSE MINISTER WHEN HE RETURN FROM HIS CURRENT  
VISIT TO IRAQ (HE SIGNED LETTER JUST BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE)  
AND WILL EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR THIS ACTION.  
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